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BANNING OF LAND REFORM IN NOMADIC
 LIVESTOCK FARMING AREAS IN NORTHWEST

There will be no land reform, now or in the future, in the nomadic livestock farming areas of Northwest China, according to Hsi Chung-hsun, vice-chairman of the Northwest China Military and Administrative Committee. Hsi Chung-hsun spoke to 116 delegates at the opening of the third plenary session of the Nationalities Affairs Committee of the Northwest China Military and Administrative Committee at Sian on 24 April 1952.

Hsi Chung-hsun also stated that the Three-Anti's Movement would be implemented only among the Chinese cadres and that no mass accusation meetings or public confessions would be held among the minority nationality cadres. He added that the Five-Anti's Movement will not be conducted in towns located in semiagricultural and seminomadic areas.

The Three-Anti's Movement is directed against corruption, waste, and bureaucratism. The Five-Anti's Movement is directed against bribery, tax fraud and evasion, embezzlement of state funds, theft of state property, and theft of state economic information.

Excerpts from Hsi Chung-hsun's address follow:

Everyone can see that our nation is progressing daily and that our work in the Northwest China region is also advancing daily. On what does our progress depend? Our progress depends on the leadership of Chairman Mao, on the organization and education of the masses, and on the great unity of all nationalities. The elevation of the political consciousness of the broad masses and their rising unity has been concretely expressed in a series of great mass movements. The foundation for future large-scale economic construction has been laid by the great Resist America, Aid Korea Movement, Suppress Counterrevolutionaries Movement, and the Land Reform Movement, by the strengthening of national defense and local security, by the wiping out of the exploiting feudal system that has prevailed during the past thousand years, and by mobilizing the broad masses for education.

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We are just in the midst of pushing the Three-Anti's and the Five-Anti's Movements, which are social revolutionary movements of historical significance. On the democratic united battle front these movements will repel the criminal aggression of the illegal capitalist elements, wash away the poison inherited from the old society, and contribute significantly to the preparatory work for national construction.

To engage ourselves thoroughly in this struggle to the finish, we must carry on educational and organization work among the masses more broadly and penetratingly than in previous movements. We see clearly that victory in this struggle will directly enhance the cause of national construction.

The people in the various minority nationality areas do not participate in the aforementioned movements on the same level or within the same scope. This is especially so of the minority nationality cadres and the leading minority nationality personages and leaders who participate with the Chinese cadres assigned to work in the local areas with these movements. They have contributed generously to the Northwest China Region in the way of restoring and developing the economy of the minority nationalities, in cultural and educational causes, and in advancing unity among the nationalities. They have made great contributions which the people will never forget, and it is hoped that they will continue to contribute more to the people.

Considering the special conditions that exist in the various minority nationality localities, the leadership mentioned above continuously issued, since last year, certain regulations to guide the mass movements. For instance:

1. During the Resist America, Aid Korea Movement there will be no campaign for arms donation in the nomadic livestock-farming areas. Since living conditions among these people are comparatively poor, the campaign will only carry on broad educational propaganda on "patriotism" and "internationalism."
2. In suppressing criminal counterrevolutionaries, action must be approved by all the minority nationalities of the local area and passed upon by the masses of the particular nationality [to which the accused belongs] and by democratic personages and leaders.
3. The nomadic livestock-farming areas will not carry out land reform, because there does not exist the same feudalistic exploiting land system that survives in the agricultural areas. The nomadic livestock areas, therefore, need not carry out land reform, now or in the future. The livestock economy of the nomadic herding areas follows a different path of development from that of the agricultural areas. For the protection of the livestock economy it was also stipulated that semiagricultural seminomadic areas will not carry out land reform.
4. The implementation of land reform in the agricultural areas of minority nationalities differs from that carried on in the Chinese populated areas. Before land reform can be carried out well, it must be demanded by the local minority nationality masses, concurred with by the leading personages, directed by localities, and its method of implementation planned in complete conformity with local conditions.

There will be no expropriation of land owned by Mohammedan mosques and Tibetan monasteries for distribution. These lands are closely related to the religious faith of the masses and they must be differentiated from the land of the landlords.

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5. The Three-Anti's Movement will be carried out only among the Chinese cadres assigned to the minority nationality areas, the participation in this movement by local minority nationality cadres is only to raise the level of their education. There is no need, however, to initiate the same kind of mass denunciation movement as carried out in Chinese nationality areas nor is it necessary for local minority nationality cadres to hold confessions during their meetings. As for incidents that occurred in the old society in the past, they will not be investigated. The Five-Anti's Movement will not be carried out in any of the small towns of the seminomadic and semiagricultural areas.

A year's experience has demonstrated that these regulations are imperative and correct. The working cadres in all localities have conscientiously carried out these regulations.

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